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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 582

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A RESOLUTION To commend Stephanie Barger Conner for her meritorious service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Barger Conner is one such estimable person who has served with probity for almost two years as Executive Director of the Tennessee Film, Entertainment and Music Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Conner began working with the Honorable Don Sundquist, Governor of Tennessee, when he was a member of the United States Congress; since 1995, she has served as Assistant to the Governor for Boards and Commissions, Assistant to the Governor, Deputy Director for Policy, Chair of the Staff Advisory Committee for the Southern Governors' Conference, and, since October 1999, as Executive Director of the Tennessee Film, Entertainment and Music Commission; and

WHEREAS, A 1990 graduate of Vanderbilt University, Stephanie Conner is an active and important part of her community, participating in numerous civic organizations, and lending her support to the Boys and Girls Club of Nashville and Vanderbilt Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Conner exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; she is the daughter of Eleanor Yoakum, Chief Administrative Officer of the Governor's Office for the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Conner has chosen to resign from her position as Executive Director of the Film, Entertainment and Music Commission to raise her newborn son, Walker Conner; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her years of service, Ms. Conner has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her peers and the Governor alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we commend Stephanie Barger Conner for her outstanding service to the State of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.